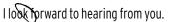
Dear Neighbor,

I am honored that you have given me the opportunity, once again, to represent you in the State Capitol and to continue to be of service to Naugatuck.

As you know, the challenges we now face are daunting. The economic situation is the most painful we've confronted in recent memory. If there is any time in which the involvement of our citizens is critical in order to chart the best way to move forward, it is now. I invite you to voice your opinion on the state services you feel are most important.

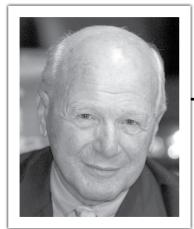


State Senator Joe Crisco

Please check your 3 top priorities from the list below, and return or e-mail your selections to: Senator Joe Crisco, Legislative Office Building, Room 2800, Hartford, CT 06106 or Crisco@senatedems.ct.gov. Also, feel free to call my office with your choices at 1-800-842-1420.

#### **MY TOP THREE PRIORITIES ARE:**

Education	Aging
Transportation	Energy
Health Care	Public Safety
Environment	Criminal Justic
Business & Economic Development	



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# State Senator Joe Crisco's **Legislative Initiatives**



### **Insurance Initiatives**

As Co-Chairman of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee, I am working with my colleagues to pass legislation that would:

- Encourage wellness by requiring health insurers to offer rebates or other incentives to individuals who follow a wellness regimen
- Prohibit insurers from imposing a higher co-payment for prescription drugs obtained through a retail pharmacy than through a mail-order pharmacy
- Require mammography reports to include information about breast density for the early detection of breast cancer
- Expand the availability and affordability of health-care insurance
- Enhance coverage for dependent children
- Promote health by prohibiting co-payments, deductibles and other out-of-pocket expenses for preventive-care services

# **UI Rate Hike Rejected**

At a hearing last December, I urged the Department of Public Utility Control (DPUC) to reject the rate hike sought by the utility company, and also to require the company to reduce its rates. I am very pleased that my Naugatuck constituents will not see a rate hike, and that the average residential customer will see a small reduction in his monthly bill.

## **Heart Center in Waterbury Given Permanent Status**

For someone suffering a heart attack, having advanced cardiac care available in nearby Waterbury rather than having to travel to New Haven or Bridgeport for that care can often mean the difference between life and death. That is why I fought to ensure that the Heart Center of Greater Waterbury, which had been threatened with closure, remain open. I commend the Office of Health Care Access for its decision to grant the Heart Center permanent status.

#### A True "Three-Strikes" Law

I co-sponsored a bill that would sentence to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole a person who is convicted of a dangerous felony, and who had previously been twice convicted of a dangerous felony.

# Mortgage Foreclosure Assistance Toll-Free Hotline: 1-877-472-8313

We want to do all we can to help Connecticut residents avoid foreclosure. That is why the Department of Banking has set up a Hotline (above) to provide information, materials and contact information to help residents resolve their mortgage difficulties.

#### **Resources for Job Seekers**

Many programs providing assistance to job seekers can be found by visiting the Jobs Web page produced by Senate Democrats. You can access this page at www.senatedems.ct.gov/Jobs